

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the City Council.  
Austin Tex. Dec. 1845.

Special Meeting,

(Ballot Box)

Hon. John McDonald, Mayor, presiding.

Roll called.

President Alderman W. Anderson, Chapman, C. Clark, Cross, F. L. Gause, J. H. Johnson,  
Henry, Lawrence, Linn, McFaddin, O'Neil, Powell, T. W. Robertson, S. J. Smith,  
Tolin, Townsend and Womack. 20.

Alderman Schneider 1.

Motion to adjourn. Alderman Linn moved to disperse with the regular order of business.  
order of business carried.

And that a Committee be appointed to canvass the Returns of the election held

Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> & appointed to Canvass on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 1845. Carried.

Returns of the Election held on the Mayor appointed the following as the Committee to canvass the returns.

Alderman Clark, Taylor and Linn

Motion that Committee be allowed a recess of 10 minutes Carried.

Recess of 10 minutes Carried.

Council called to order

Roll called.

President Alderman Anderson, Chapman, Fischen, Glass, Glasgow, Heath, Haynes,  
Hines, Lawless, Linn, McFaddin, Clark, Powell, T. W. Robertson, Shallen,  
Taylor, Tolin, Townsend and Tammitt. 20.

Alderman Schneider 1.

Allderman Anderson moved that the Committee appointed to canvass the returns  
be authorized to open the box of Ward #1, inasmuch as the judges had placed  
the returns directed to the Mayor in the box instead of delivering the same to  
the Mayor as required by law. The motion was adopted.

The Mayor laid before Council the report of the City Auditor.

Alderman Anderson moved that the report be received and filed, which motion  
was adopted.

Mr. Schneider entered Council Chamber and answered to his name.

Resolution by Mr. McFaddin offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That inasmuch as the Dam and our unparalleled Water, Gas, &  
and Sewer Plant is now completed, be it

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Austin, that the City Engineer  
is hereby authorized to have the names of the Mayor, Board of Public Works and  
the City Council engraved in a suitable tablet at the Dam, in order to perpetuate  
the names of those who for the past six years have so devotedly given  
their energies to the construction and completion of this great work.

Alderman Bowers offered the following resolution. Which was adopted.

Resolved, that the Mayor, Board of Public Works and Alderman Clark be  
deemed from the date of their commencement at the Dam & its completion to be  
requested to furnish the City Engineer with a list of names of  
persons for engraving on the tablet to be placed within the Dam, in honor of  
such a work.

Mr. Lewis offered a resolution to add to the resolution of the previous resolution  
of the City Council.

Resolved, that the City Engineer be requested to furnish the names of  
persons for engraving on the tablet to be placed within the Dam, in honor of  
such a work. The resolution was carried.

Motion to publish Mayor's report in Standard Times moved that the report of the Mayor be published in the Standard Sunday Daily Freeman carried.  
also Evening News and Worcester Standard Times moved that the report be published in the Evening Standard and provided they publish for same price as New Bedford Standard Times published for the same price as the Standard.  
Chairman adopted.

The motion was adopted.

The Committee appointed to canvass the vote presented the following report:

Report of Com. appointed to canvass the vote presented by following report:  
canvass the vote of City election Gentlemen: Your Committee appointed to canvass the returns of the vote cast  
held Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> 1895 at the City election, held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December, 1895, would report the  
following as the result of the canvass:

For Mayr.

	For Mayor	Voted!
Mr. Lewis Hancock.	Received	16110
Mr. W. B. Brush.	"	1225
Mr. M. M. Shibe	"	1010
Mr. John Andrewartha	"	11
Mr. Schutze	"	1
Mr. W. Skinner	"	1

For School Trustees

	For School Trustees.	Voted!
Mr. T. J. Flynna	"	2698
Mr. G. B. Garrison	"	1770
Mr. Jeff Johnson	"	2559
Mr. C. P. Rogers	"	2101

For Alderman 1<sup>st</sup> Ward.

	For Alderman First Ward	Voted!
Mr. J. C. Schneider	"	210
Mr. Frank Praggio	"	182

For Alderman Second Ward

2 <sup>nd</sup> "	Mr. J. M. Gealy	2117
"	Mr. W. S. Hayes	125

For Alderman Third Ward

3 <sup>rd</sup> "	Mr. H. D. Shelley	215
"	Mr. D. Melasky	1

Mr. D. Melasky

4 <sup>th</sup> "	For Alderman Fourth Ward	2
"	Mr. C. G. Oberdean	177

For Alderman Fifth Ward

5 <sup>th</sup> "	Mr. H. C. Divin	245
"	Mr. Lawrence	1

Mr. H. C. Divin

6 <sup>th</sup> "	Mr. H. C. Divin	1
"	Mr. C. G. Oberdean	3

For Alderman Sixth Ward

7 <sup>th</sup> "	Mr. A. M. B. Divin	177
"	Mr. J. C. Stumpf	205

For Alderman Seven Ward

8 <sup>th</sup> "	Mr. E. C. Garrison	247
"	Mr. C. H. Driscoll	391

	For Alderman Sixt Ward.	Votes.
	Mr. G. C. Lewis received	191
	Mr. Ed. Prayorien "	228
9th ..	For Alderman Ninth Ward	
	Mr. James Byrne "	158
	Mr. G. J. Smeless "	192
10th ..	For Alderman Tenth Ward.	-
	Mr. M. L. West "	183
	Mr. A. J. Zilker "	140
11th ..	For Alderman Eleventh Ward.	
	Mr. John Andrewartha "	1
	Mr. W. J. Brown "	60
	Mr. W. G. Held "	121

Respectfully submitted

J. B. Smith,

J. J. Taylor,

W. J. Johnson.

Committee.

Mayor elect Hancock and  
Board of Aldermen elect for  
ensuing two years

The Mayor then declared Mr. Lewis duly and constitutionally  
elected to serve the City as Mayor for the ensuing two years, and the following  
named gentlemen were declared duly and constitutionally elected to serve as  
Aldermen of their respective wards:

G. B. Schneider	First Ward.
J. M. Bratv	Second Ward.
W. D. Shultz	Third Ward.
G. C. Prayorien	Fourth Ward.
Rich. Dunn	Fifth Ward.
Joseph Skarupi	Sixth Ward.
John Norton	Seventh Ward.
Ed. Prayorien	Eighth Ward.
G. J. Smeless	Ninth Ward.
A. J. Zilker	Tenth Ward.
W. G. Held	Eleventh Ward.

School Trustees elect

Resolution offered by Mr.  
Dunn, to retiring Mayor  
unanimously adopted by  
rising vote

The following named gentlemen were declared duly and constitutionally  
elected School Trustees: Messrs T. S. Culmore, C. L. Johnson and B. Rogers  
Alderman Dunn offering his following resolution which was unanimously  
adopted by a rising vote:

Whereas, the Hon. John McDonald, the retiring Mayor, has earnestly,  
honestly, and efficiently discharged every duty that has devolved upon  
him as Mayor and,

Whereas, Mr. McDonald has neglected his private business in order  
that he might better serve the City of Austin, and

Whereas, Mr. McDonald, by reason of his faithful services, has rendered  
the City of Austin, no place in the City under obligations to him.

Resolved, that the City Council of the City of Austin, acting on its

present knowledge, is, therefore, and will in their judgment  
of uprightness and worthiness, express their thanks for his faithful services.

Ordered, that in this resolution, the word "express" is synonymous with

the good will, kind feelings and appreciation of this body.

Resolved 3. That the members of this body over which he has presided so long, tender him kindest wishes for his uniform country and the importance that his character and his course as Presiding Officer.

Resolved 4. That a copy of these resolutions, under seal of the City, be sent to Mr. McDonald.

Alderman Barnes moved that a committee of three be appointed by the Mayor to conduct the newly elected Mayor and Aldermen to the Council Chamber. The resolution was adopted, and the following named committee appointed:

Aldermen Barnes, Townsend and Stitschke.

The newly elected Mayor and Aldermen were then presented to the Council and the oaths of office administered to them by the Hon. Fred Carlton, City Recorder.

Hon. Lewis Hancock, Mayor, presiding, called the Council to order.

Roll called.

Present: Aldermen Beatty, Fischer, Ginecock, Glass, Good, Barnes, Norton, Brauer, Sims, Stitschke, Blatt, Howell, Redd, Broderick, Rosenzweig, Schneider, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, John, Townsend and Tilber, Jr.

After a short address by the Mayor, he declared the Council ready for business.

Alderman Stitschke offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the City Council now proceed to the Election of City Officers in the following order.

First. President of the Council.

Second. Assessor and Collector.

Third. City Marshal.

Fourth. City Treasurer.

Fifth. City Clerk.

Sixth. City Attorney.

Seventh. City Recorder.

Eighth. City Engineer.

Ninth. Street Commissioner.

Tenth. City Physician.

Eleventh. Sanitary Inspector.

Twelfth. President Physician.

Thirteenth. Matron for the Hospital.

Fourteenth. City Sexton.

Fifteenth. Coach Master.

Sixteenth. Sergeant of Police.

Seventeenth. Bridge Master.

Eighteenth. City Auditor.

Nineteenth. Clerk.

Alderman Barnes moved that three Tellers be appointed. Carried, and Honor Weller, A. J. Alderman Barnes, Schmidt and others.

Mr. Mayor Windmills that committments never come in before the President of the Council.

Resolved, That the various officers of the Council be sworn.

Ordered, that the various officers of the Council be sworn in order and that

3 Tellers appointed.

Committments never come in before the President of the Council.

Ordered, that the various officers of the Council be sworn in order and that

The Clerk be instructed to cast the entire vote of the Council for Alderman Simeon, as President of the Council, which motion motion was adopted and the Tellers reported that Alderman Simeon had received 22 votes.

The Mayor declared Alderman Simeon duly elected as President of the Council for the ensuing term.

The Mayor announced that nominations were now in order for Assessor and Collector.

Alderman Clegg nominated Mr. Fred. Kersey.

Alderman Dilworth moved that nominations close and that the Clerk be instructed to cast the entire vote of the Council for Mr. Kersey, which motion was adopted.

Fred Kersey declared elected. The Tellers announced that Mr. Kersey had received 22 votes.

The Mayor declared Mr. Fred. Kersey duly and constitutionally elected Assessor and Collector for the ensuing two years.

The Mayor then announced that nominations were in order for City Marshal. Alderman Choberdean nominated Capt. Jas. E. Lucy, and moved that nominations now close and that the Clerk be instructed to cast the entire vote of the Council for Captain Lucy, which motion prevailed.

The Tellers announced that Captain Jas. E. Lucy had received 22 votes.

The Mayor then declared Capt. Jas. E. Lucy duly and constitutionally elected City Marshal for the ensuing two years.

The Mayor announced that nominations were now in order for City Treasurer. Alderman J. A. S. nominated J. C. Myrick.

Alderman Bratt nominated W. P. Gillard.

Nominations were then declared closed.

The Tellers reported the result of the ballot as follows:

J. C. Myrick received 18 votes.

W. P. Gillard received 4 votes.

The Mayor declared Mr. J. C. Myrick duly and constitutionally elected City Treasurer for the ensuing two years, he having received a majority of all the votes cast.

The Mayor announced that nominations for City Clerk were in order.

Alderman Schneider nominated R. G. Shelley.

Alderman Fischer nominated Mrs. O. Johnson.

Nominations were declared closed.

The Tellers reported the following as the result of the ballot:

Mr. R. G. Shelley received 10 votes.

Mrs. O. Johnson received 17 votes.

J. C. Myrick declared elected  
City Treasurer

Mrs. O. Johnson declared the Mayor declared that Mrs. O. Johnson, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly and constitutionally elected City Clerk for the ensuing two years.

The Mayor announced that nominations for City Attorney, were in order.

Alderman Simeon nominated Dr. S. Bradbury.

Alderman Clegg nominated J. H. Clegg.

Nominations were then closed.

Dr. Bradbury received 16 votes.

Mr. Clegg received 11 votes.

Mr. Clegg declared elected, having received a majority of all the votes cast.

Mr. Clegg  
City Attorney

The votes cast, was duly, and constitutionally, elected City Attorney for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for City Recorder were then announced to be in order by the Mayor.

Alderman Powell nominated U. Maxwell.

Alderman Fisher nominated Fred Carlton.

Alderman Eaton nominated W. Wood.

Candidates were then declared closed.

The Tellers announced the result of the ballot to be as follows:

Fred Carlton received 15 votes.

W. Wood received 4 votes.

U. Maxwell received 3 votes.

The Mayor announced that Fred Carlton, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly, and constitutionally elected City Recorder for the ensuing two years.

The Mayor then announced that nominations were in order for City Engineer.

Alderman Barnes nominated Walter Need.

Alderman O'Connell nominated J. J. McFall.

Alderman Cuthbertson nominated D. B. Matthews.

The Tellers announced the following as the result of the first ballot:

J. J. McFall received 13 votes.

Walter Need received 6 votes.

D. B. Matthews received 3 votes.

The Mayor announced that J. J. McFall, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly, and constitutionally elected City Engineer for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Street Commissioner were then declared in order.

Alderman Gibbons nominated Joseph Schuber.

Alderman Barnes nominated John McLean.

Alderman Norton nominated W. M. Sawyer.

The Tellers announced the result of the first ballot to be as follows:

Schuber 8 votes, McLean 6 votes, Sawyer 8 votes.

As one having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

The Tellers reported the following, as the result of the second ballot:

Schuber 9 votes, McLean 5 votes, Sawyer 10 votes.

As one having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

The Tellers reported the following, as the result of the third ballot:

Schuber 9 votes, McLean 3 votes, Sawyer 10 votes.

As one having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

Alderman Barnes withdrew the name of John McLean.

The Tellers reported the following, as the result of the fourth ballot:

Schuber 11 votes, Sawyer 11 votes.

As one having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

The Tellers announced the result of the fifth ballot.

As one having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

W. M. Sawyer received 10 votes, D. B. Matthews received 13 votes.

As one having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

W. M. Sawyer received 11 votes, D. B. Matthews received 10 votes.

As one having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

W. M. Sawyer received 11 votes, D. B. Matthews received 10 votes.

As one having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

The Mayor announced nominations in order of first, Dr. George W.  
Elderman being nominated. Dr. G. J. Barnes.  
Elderman Fischer nominated Dr. C. H. Hall.  
Nominations declared closed.

The tellers announced the following as the result of the ballot:

Dr. G. J. Barnes received 9 votes. Dr. C. H. Hall received 4 votes.

Dr. Weller, Dr. W. H. Dr. G. J. Barnes having received a majority of all  
the votes cast, was duly and constitutionally elected City Physician for the ensuing  
two years.

The Mayor announced that nominations for Senator, Commissioner were now in order.  
Elderman St. John, nominated J. W. Johnson.

C. Dunn & C. W. Johnson nominated W. W. Galbreath.

Elderman Green nominated S. C. Springsbury.

Elderman Fischer nominated John Deane.

Elderman Sims nominated Mr. Johnson.

Elderman Sawless nominated John Stillox.

Elderman Taylor nominated Dr. W. Patterson.

Elderman Colcordan nominated Thos. McConnell.

Elderman Schneider nominated Julian Reye.

Nominations were then closed.

The tellers announced the following as the result of the first ballot:

J. W. Johnson, 7. Springsbury, 4. W. Johnson, 1. George W. Hall, 0. Stillox & Patterson,  
McConnell, 1. Deane.

No one having received a majority a new ballot was ordered.

The names of Mr. Johnson, Deine, McConnell, and Deane were withdrawn.

The tellers reported the following as the result of the second ballot:

J. W. Johnson 7, Springsbury 4, Galbreath, 8, Stillox 6, Patterson 7.

No one having received a majority a new ballot was ordered.

The tellers announced the following as the result of the third ballot:

J. W. Johnson 7, Galbreath 11, Stillox 8, Patterson 1.

No one having received a majority a new ballot was ordered.

The tellers reported the following as the result of the fourth ballot:

J. W. Johnson 9 votes, W. W. Galbreath 14 votes, John Stillox 8 votes

W. W. Galbreath having received a majority of all the votes cast, the Mayor declared  
him duly and constitutionally elected Senator, Senator for the ensuing  
two years.

The Mayor announced that nominations for Commissioner were now in order.  
Elderman Glascock, nominated Dr. G. V. Brantley.

Elderman Comerford nominated Dr. W. W. P. Smith.

The tellers announced the following as the result of the ballot:

Dr. G. V. Brantley received 13 votes.

Dr. W. W. P. Smith received 0 votes.

Dr. G. V. Brantley having received a majority of all the votes cast, the Mayor declared him  
duly and constitutionally elected Commissioner for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Mayor, City Clerk, City Treasurer, Assessors in order.

Elderman Green nominated J. C. Green.

Elderman Comerford nominated Wm. H. Coffey.

Dwight Johnson declared elected  
City Physician.

W.W. Galbreath declared elected  
Senator, Senator

Alderman Dewson nominated Mr. J. D. Law.  
Nominations were then closed.

The tellers announced the following, as the result of the first ballot:

Mrs. Bittner 10 votes, Miss Mathew 1, Mrs. Foster 11 votes.

Miss Mathew having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

The tellers announced the following, as the result of the second ballot:

Mr. Bittner 11 votes, Mrs. Foster 11 votes.

Miss Mathew having received a majority a new ballot was ordered.

The tellers announced the following, as the result of the third ballot:

Mrs. Bittner 11 votes, Mrs. Foster 11 votes.

Miss Mathew having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

The tellers announced the following, as the result of the fourth ballot:

Mr. Bittner 11 votes, Mrs. Foster 11 votes.

Miss Mathew having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

The tellers announced the following, as the result of the fifth ballot:

Mr. Bittner 11 votes, Mrs. Foster 8 votes.

The Mayor announced that Mrs. Bittner having received a majority of all the votes cast was duly and constitutionally elected Mayor of the City of Berlin for the ensuing two years.

The Mayor declared nominations in order for City Clerk.

Alderman Stensend nominated Mr. W. S. Stitschke and moved that nominations do now close, and that the City Clerk be directed to cast the entire vote of the Council for Mr. Stitschke, which motion prevailed.

The tellers announced that Mr. W. S. Stitschke had received 122 votes.

Mr. W. S. Stitschke having received a majority of all the votes cast, the Mayor declared him duly and constitutionally elected City Clerk for the ensuing two years.

The Mayor announced that nominations for Board Master were now in order.

Alderman Skumb nominated G. W. Powell and on motion nominations were closed and the City Clerk directed to cast the entire vote of the Council for G. W. Powell for Board Master.

The Mayor declared Mr. G. W. Powell, duly, and constitutionally elected to serve as Board Master for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Sergeant of Police were then declared in order by the Mayor.

Alderman Stynes nominated Harry Montgomery, and moved that the City Clerk be directed to cast the entire vote of the Council for Mr. H. Montgomery, which motion prevailed.

The tellers announced the following, as the result of the ballot:

H. Montgomery 27 votes.

H. Montgomery declared elected Mr. Montgomery having received a majority of all the votes cast. The Mayor declared him duly, and constitutionally elected Sergeant of Police for the ensuing two years.

The Mayor announced that nominations for Bridge Master were now in order.

Alderman Powell nominated G. L. Schneider.

Alderman Stensend nominated W. C. Grover.

Alderman Stynes nominated W. C. Parker.

Alderman Stensend nominated W. C. Parker.

Oldman's ballot nominated C. W. Ricker.

Candidates were then closed.

Balloters announced the following ballot result of the first ballot:

Chairman 10, Bridge 5, Cook 1, Denton 2, Lewis 4, Ricker 3.

None having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

Balloters reported the following as the result of the second ballot:

Chairman received 10 votes, Bridge received 6 votes.

J. L. Schneider being elected  
Bridge, Denton  
The Mayor announced that Mr. J. L. Schneider, having received a majority  
of 11 votes cast, was declared duly and constitutionally elected Bridge  
Commissioner for the next two years.

The Mayor announced that nominations for City Auditor were now in order.

Clerk announced he had nominated C. A. Wetmore.

Clerk again stated he had nominated C. A. Wetmore.  
Clerk said he moved that nominations be now closed and the Clerk be  
directed to cast the entire vote of the Council for C. A. Wetmore for City Auditor,  
which motion received.

Balloters announced that Mr. C. A. Wetmore had received 21 votes.

The Mayor declared Mr. C. A. Wetmore duly and constitutionally elected City  
Auditor for the ensuing two years.

Nominations for Clerk were then deemed in order.

Clerk announced he had nominated Miss Morrison.

Clerk nominated S. J. Dewart.

Clerk nominated Sam Fortune.

Clerk nominated Gov. Bridges.

Clerk nominated Louis Comasich.

Clerk nominated S. Gatherman.

Clerk nominated Stewart Gray.

Clerk nominated Richard Colcord.

Balloters reported the following, as the result of the first ballot:  
Morrison 9, Dewart 3, Fortune 1, Bridges 3, Colcord 1, Comasich 1 & Gatherman  
1, Gray 1, Prior 1.

None having received a majority, a new ballot was ordered.

Balloters announced the following, as the result of the second ballot:

Morrison 14 votes, Gov. Bridges 11 votes, Comasich 9 votes, Gatherman  
8 votes.

Mr. Morrison having received a majority of all the votes cast, the  
Mayor announced that he had been duly and constitutionally elected  
Clerk for the next two years.

Clerk announced the following resolution, which was read and voted:

Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed to consider and recommend  
to the Board of Officers & Employees the amount of salary, the burdens of Office and Expenses of the City.

This Committee to report at the next regular meeting.

The Mayor appointed H. J. Lovins as the Committee appointed to consider  
the above resolution.

John W. Lewis, George and Hartman

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the above resolution.

✓ Alderman Fischer nominated Alderman Saunders.  
✓ Alderman Simms nominated Alderman Schmid.  
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Sheriff reported the following as the result of the ballot:  
Alderman Saunders received 14 votes  
Alderman Schmid received 16 votes  
Alderman Fischer received 10 votes

Aldermen Saunders & Schmid were elected Aldermen. Alderman Schmid being elected member of the Water and Light Commission for the ensuing two years.  
Alderman Simms voted that the Council do now adjourn, which motion carried.

John C. S. Oberholtzer  
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